## **TESTIMONY CONCERNING HB5044**

My name is Leah Patti and I am a Christian mother of three young girls who are 11, 9 and 3 years old.

Our family is one of those families who have filed for a religious exemption from vaccines in the state of Connecticut when my middle daughter started Kindergarten at Booth Hill Elementary School in Shelton. (our oldest daughter was fully vaccinated, our middle daughter is partially vaccinated and our youngest has not received any vaccines)

We are a Christian family and as such, we are pro-life. Considering that 23 vaccines that are given to children contain aborted fetal cells, DNA or cellular debris, we strongly feel they are not the right choice for us, simply because we cannot reconcile our pro-life convictions that the Bible dictates with us using vaccines that were developed using aborted fetal parts.

Aside from the fact that vaccines contain human DNA coming from aborted fetuses, we are equally concerned with the many other ingredients that are used in vaccines, namely Formaldehyde, Polysorbate 80 and 20, MSG, EDTA, 2-Phenoxyethanol, just to name a few.

In a research paper, published in 2009, titled: What is regressive autism and why does it occur? Is it the consequence of multi-systemic dysfunction affecting the elimination of heavy metals and the ability to regulate neural temperature?, the lead author of the research had this to say:

Vaccinations influence the balance of viral scavengers. They suppress the production of b-cells, t-cells, etc. The synergistic action of these cells impairs antibody formation and becomes less effective in phagocytosis. This influences recognition of viral pathogens, leads to the progressive failure of immune function and hence to the increased incidence of auto-immune disease which we note as allergies and immunodeficiency.

Some vaccinations have a greater effect than others e.g. Hib vaccine, pertussis vaccine, measles vaccine, etc. Indeed some articles indicate that the use of such vaccines can reliably induce asthma by moderating adrenergic function."

Dr. Lawrence Palevsky, a pediatrician from New York testified in Connecticut in November and in his testimony he talked about the lack of scientific studies showing that vaccines do not cause seizures for example a month or two after vaccinations. He also talked about how vaccines have nanoparticles which cross the blood-brain barrier and therefore can cause harm.

For us, as a Christian family, we feel that the Bible is very clear about treating our bodies as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Our interpretation is that we have a responsibility as believers to make sure we do not put anything into our bodies that could possibly harm it.

Many of the vaccine package inserts have warnings about the vaccine possibly causing harm (death or Guillain-Barre Syndrome and other adverse side effects).

The very fact that the National Vaccine Adverse Reaction registry is put in place is proof enough that vaccines can and do harm people.